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## SHIPPING

ARRIVALS  
May 1. TALER, German bark, 342. M. Hoffmann, Bremen, 24th March. Rice.  
SIEMSEN & Co.  
May 1. CAYMANISCH, British s.s. 1,163. S. Showa, Fushiki, 23rd April. Rice.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.  
May 1. DOUGLAS, British s.s. 864. G. D. Pitman, Foochow, 26th April. Amoy, 29th, and Swatow, 30th. General—D.  
LAPRAIK & Co.  
May 1. ZAMBOANGA, Spanish s.s. 690. Amoy, 27th April, and Hainan, 28th. General—D.  
LAPRAIK & Co.  
May 1. ORANGE, British s.s. 1,237. Webster, Liverpool, 16th March. Port Said, 29th, and Batavia, 24th. General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.  
May 1. YANGTZE, British s.s. 782. Schutte, Shanghai, 27th April. General—S.  
S. Co.  
May 1. NORMAN, British s.s. 606. Walker, Swatow, 30th April. General—Kwox ACKHONG.  
May 1. RICHTER, German ship, 1,115. D. Lange, Cardiff, August 14th. Coal—P. & O. S. N. Co.

## CLEARANCES

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE  
May 1. Date, British steamer for Foochow.  
Black Prince, British ship for Foochow.  
Villa de Bimacap, Spanish brig for Ilolo.  
Glenfalloch, British steamer for Foochow.  
Glenroy, British steamer for Foochow.  
D. DEPARTURES  
May 1. WILLOWOOD, Am. ship, for Portland (Oregon).  
May 1. JOLIE, French bark, for Quoniam.  
May 1. ESKER, German s.s. for Chinkiang.  
May 1. KWANTUNG, British steamer, for East Coast.  
May 1. PANAY, Spanish steamer for Manila.  
May 1. NIMROD, British bark, for Guam.

## PASSENGERS

ARRIVED  
Messrs. H. & A. DIXON, the Ling-Tai, Passeang, Harton, 10 Europeans, deck and 223 Chinese.  
Per Zeebawha, str. from Haiphong—  
50 Chinese.  
Per Orestes, str. from Liverpool, &c.—  
For Hongkong—Mr. and Mrs. Ford, Mr. Moorehead, Messrs. A. and M. Moorehead and four children.  
Per Yunnan, str. from Shanghai—  
2 Cabin, 2 Steamer, deck and 27 Chinese.  
Per Norway, str. from Swatow—  
50 Chinese.  
DEPARTED  
Per Kwantung, str. for East Coast—  
Mr. Blenner  
TO DEPART  
Per Dado, str. for Kowloon—  
Per China, str. for Foochow—  
Per Villa de Bimacap, str. for Ilolo—  
1 European.  
Per Glenfalloch, str. for Foochow—  
1 European and 20 Chinese.  
Per Glenroy, str. for Foochow—  
20 Chinese.

## REPORTS

The German bark *Talor* reports left Bangkok on 24th March, and had light winds and calms throughout.

The British steamer *Yankee* reports left Bangkok on 27th April, and had South and SW winds, with moderate rain. Arrived in Hongkong at 2:30 p.m. on the 1st May.

The British steamer *Orestes* reports left Liverpool on 16th March, Port Said on 29th March, and Batavia on the 24th. The ship experiences fine weather, with light South-easterly winds.

The British steamer *Orion* reports left Fushiki on the morning of the 25th April, and experienced strong W. and N.W. winds with heavy sea down to Cora's Straits; from thence to Hongkong. S.W. winds and fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Douglas* reports left Foochow on 23rd April, and moderate North-easterly winds with moderate rain. Arrived in Swatow some afternoon, and experienced moderate S.E. winds and fine weather. Left Swatow on Tuesday, the 30th, and had moderate S.W. winds and dark weather. In Amoy the U.S. gunboat *Alert*, in Swatow the Chinese gunboat *Fei-ho*, *Hsiang-chen*, *Northern*, *Abouy*, *Sa-pedon*, and *Minow*.

FROM POETS IN CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANCHURIA.

(Per last Mail's Advice.)  
Grazmire, Hongkong, Mar. 20.  
Henry S. Sandford, Hongkong, Mar. 4.  
Rainbow, Manila, Mar. 4.  
Cremas, Yokohama, Mar. 4.  
Osaka, Amy, Mar. 4.  
Santos, Shanghai, Mar. 4.  
B. Petrus, Manila, Mar. 4.  
Petrus (s.), China, Mar. 12.  
Samantha, Japan, Mar. 12.

VERSE EXPORTED AT Hongkong.  
(Correspond to Date.)  
Tiger, Naples, July 17.  
Oscar, Hamburg, Oct. 23.  
A. Berth, Hamburg, Oct. 23.  
Benedict, San Francisco, Oct. 23.  
Lester, San Francisco, Nov. 1.  
Johann Smid, Cuxhaven, Nov. 1.  
Jethie, Portland, Nov. 20.  
Glauber, Flushing, Dec. 1.  
Oto, Hamburg, Dec. 19.  
Sir Harry Parkes, London, Dec. 19.  
Sedan, Cardiff, Dec. 19.  
R. D. Fuller, Bombay, Dec. 22.  
Korn, Penang, Jan. 5.  
Hilton Codd, Ceylon, Jan. 17.  
Belle of Devon, Liverpool, Jan. 22.  
Earl of Devon, Antwerp, Jan. 22.  
Elizabeth Childs, Hamburg, Jan. 31.  
Wandering Jew, Penang, Jan. 31.  
Pet Arctic, London, Feb. 2.  
Kewpie, London, Feb. 7.  
M. J. Clark, Penang, Feb. 9.  
Josephine, Penang, Feb. 9.  
Marlboro Union, Newcastle, Feb. 9.  
Bertie Bigelow, Antwerp, Mar. 10.  
Penarth, London, Mar. 12.  
Landseer, Liverpool, Mar. 12.  
Francis B. Poy, Newcastle, Mar. 15.  
Charles L. Pearson, Newcastle, Mar. 15.  
Auguste Frederic, Newcastle, Mar. 15.  
Nyassa, Sydney, Mar. 20.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY

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R. CHATTELETON WILCOX  
Daily Press Office,  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1878.

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and address with communications addressed to the  
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faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one  
side of the paper only.

By El Geronico of April 22nd we learn of the  
success of the 10th Annual Regatta of the  
Cavendish Yacht Club of 494 tons register, which a  
short time ago was at Hongkong consigned to  
Messrs. Thos. Howard and Co. She left for  
Manila seeking and obtained a cargo of 10,000  
pounds of sugar. She left on the 14th April for  
the Channel or orders. On the 18th she became  
a total wreck in Balabon Strait, Lumbarian  
Bank, or "No Name Bank," as it is called, four  
days for attempting to escape and  
damaging government property.

The judges were Mr. Hyde, Dr. Clouth, and  
Lieut. Green, 74th.

SHORE PLATE—TWO LENGTHS OF THE BATH.

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## EXTRACTS.

A SUMMER'S GROWTH.  
Fair was the flower which proffers now its fruit.  
The bud began to swell 'neath spring's soft down,  
And tenderly the winds of summer blow.  
To foster it, and great, strong suns were up,  
As through its veins warm life began to avert,  
And it put on, each day, some beauty new;  
And all the fairer, as I think, it grew.  
Because the streams were born about its foot,  
But now its fruit hangs well within our reach,  
And this, indeed, is time for gathering.  
It hath the bloom of summer-left, perchance,  
Each charm it hath that any man could sing;  
Yet who we that it whisper, each to each,  
"Not sweet but very bitter is this thing!"

LOUISA CHANDLER MOULTON.

## HAYDN IN ENGLAND.

A captain in the navy called on Haydn one morning. "Mr. Haydn, I presume?" "Yes, sir." "Are you willing to compose me a march for the troops I have on board? I will give you thirty guineas; but I must have it to-day, as I go to-morrow for Calais." Haydn agreed to the request. As soon as the captain was gone, he opened his piano and in a quarter of an hour the march was finished. Feeling some scruples at gaining so easily what appeared to him a very large sum, he wrote two other marches, intending first to give the captain the choice of them and afterward to make him a present of the other two, as a return for his liberty. Early on the following morning the captain came in. "Well, and my march?" "Here it is." "Will you play it on the piano?" Haydn played it in the captain without saying a word, counting the thirty guineas on the instrument, took the march, and walked away. Haydn ran after him to stop him.

I have written two others, which are better. Hear them, and then make your choice." I like the first very well, and that is sufficient."

"But hear them."

The captain stretched out of the house, and heard nothing. Haydn pursued him, calling out "I made you a present of them." "The captain, quickening his pace, replied "I won't have it."

"But, at least, hear them."

"No, not for the whole navy."

Haydn, piqued, immediately hastened to the ex-captain, and inquired what was on the point of hearing, for the Indies, and the name of the commander. He then rolled up the two marches, inclosed a polite note, and sent the parcel on board to the captain. The obstinate fellow, suspecting that the musician was in pursuit of him, would not even look at the note, but sent it back unopened. Haydn tore the marches into a thousand pieces, and never forgot the captain as long as he lived.

## TURKISH SAYINGS.

Kesem tokum olaklak! (Fate must be presently fulfilled.) "Ekinim bittarim!" (The destiny of life must be accomplished.) In other words, "You cannot change the coming future any more than you can undo the acted past." This fable is undoubtedly the article of popular belief the most widely accepted among the Turks, and is the one par excellence held in all simplicity and sincerity by every individual man, woman, and child in the nation almost without exception. "Xamish" (It is written) "Is ordered for us" is an instinct and confession natural to a people such one of whom knows what it is to be subjected to the absolute and capricious will of another; first, in childhood, when the power and authority of the parent are supreme; next, it may be, in the self-subjugation of a slave before master or mistress; afterward, in the subjection of the prisoner wife to her husband; or, in the case of a man, in the changing of the dependent before his master of the Efendi or Bey before the rich Pashas—of the Pashas *paroligile* before the heads of departments of the high Government officials before the Grand Vizier—or of the Sultans before the Padishah, and the Sultan himself? He is supposed to know nothing nothing before an absolute Will, or a vague Fate, to which his personality is asutable before the wind. "Padishah bulut del mi?" (Is not the Sultan great?) "Amor, Allah Sultani da da diri hizet diri—hezey dan daur bukuk diri?" (But God is greater than the Sultan—He is greater than all!) Such are the terms in which the Turks will try to lead one to conceive something of the greatness of their ruler, yet of even his subjection to a higher will. It is a hint to see as they see, and is intended to induce an involved mental process resulting in a conviction that the Padishah has boundless power, so rarely does anything occur to check the will of the absolute ruler of Turkey.—*Balgravia*.

## THE DOCTRINE OF CHANCES.

It is an indubitable result of the theory of probabilities that every gambler, if he continues long enough, must ultimately be ruined. Suppose he tries the martingale, which some believe infallible, and which is as I am informed, disallowed in the gambling-houses. In this method of playing he first bets \$1. If he loses it, he bets \$2; if he loses \$2, if he then gains, he has lost \$1 plus \$2 plus \$4, and he has gained \$1 more; and no matter how many bets he loses, the first one he gains will make his \$1 richer than he was in the beginning. In that way he will probably gain at first; but at last, the time will come when the run of luck is against him that he will not have money enough to double, and must therefore let his bets go. This will probably happen before he has won as much as he had in the first place, so that this run against him will leave him poorer than he began; sometimes or other it will be sure to happen. This is true that there is always a possibility of his winning any sum the bank can pay, and thus come upon a celebrated paradox that, though he is certain to be ruined, the value of his expectation calculated according to the usual rules (which omit this consideration) is large. But whether a gambler plays in this way or any other, the same thing is true; namely, that he plays long enough he will be sure some time to have such a run against him as to exhaust his entire fortune. The same thing is true of an insurance company. Let the directors take the utmost pains to be independent of great configurations and pestilences, their actuaries can tell them that according to the doctrine of chances, the time must come, at last, when their losses are brought to a stop. They may tide over such a crisis by extraordinary means, but then they will start again in a weakened state, and the same thing will happen again all the sooner. An actuary might be inclined to deny this, because he knows that the expectation of his company is large, or perhaps negligible. The interest upon money is infinite. But calculations leave out of account the circumstances now under consideration, which reverse the whole thing. However, I am not understood as saying that insurance is on this account unsound, were other kinds of business. All human affairs rest upon probabilities, and the same thing is true everywhere. If man were immortal he could be perfectly sure of seeing the day when everything he had trusted in should betray his trust, and, in short, of coming eventually to hopeless misery. He would break down, at last, as every great fortress, as every

dynasty, as every individual man, who, when he sees how he has provoked to dismount the trooper, and get his horse, to the top, may fall over.

## JEFFERSON DAVIS CAPTURE.

Inimitable stories of the flight and capture of Jefferson Davis have been published both North and South by writers in both nations. Until now, however, Jefferson Davis' own account has never been in print. The Southern Historical Society Papers in its March issue will contain a full narrative of that memorable affair, written by Major W. T. Walthall, the private secretary of Mr. Davis.

It is known here that this article was gotten up under the pen of Mr. Davis, and under his special supervision, and that it was called a "water-proof." I had one exactly similar, except in color. I went to look for it, and either I, or some one of my friends, found it, and the word is afterward. His own was not restored.

As I was looking for a coat, the firing still continuing, I met a mounted officer, who, if I am not mistaken, was a Captain Hodson. Feeling that the cause was lost, and not wishing ourselves bloodshed, I said to him, "Captain, your men are fighting each other over there." He answered very properly, "You have an armed escort," I replied, "You have our whole camp; I know your men are fighting each other." We have no idea of that side of the story." He then rode off. Colonel Lubbock had a conversation nearly identical with Colonel Richardson, who was not polite I believe. You can learn from Colonel Lubbock all about it. Not long afterward, seeing Mr. Davis' tent, I went up. Mr. Davis was denunciatory in his remarks. The account given by Wilson is fabulous, except as far as Mr. Davis' remark is concerned, that "their conduct was not that of gentlemen, but ruffians." As we have said, the President was already dressed. He hastily took leave of his wife, who threw over his shoulders a waterproof cloak or wrapper, either as a protection from the dampness of early morning, or in the hope that it might serve as a partial disguise, or perhaps with woman's ready and rapid thoughtfulness of its possible use for both these purposes. Mrs. Davis also directed a female servant, who was present, to take an empty bucket and accompany him in the direction of spring, his horse, on the other side of the camp, being cut off from easy access by the interposition of the assailants.

He had advanced only a few steps from the door of the tent when he was challenged by a mounted soldier, who presented his carbine and ordered him to "surrender. The answer was, "I never surrender to a band of thieves." The carbine was still presented, but the man refrained from firing—it is but fair to presume from an unwillingness to kill his adversary—while the President continued to advance. This was not from desperation or foolhardy recklessness, but of deliberate purpose. Observing that the man, who was finely mounted, was so near as to be considerably above him, he had little apprehension of being hit, and believed that by taking advantage of the excitement of the shot, he might easily tip him from the saddle and get the horse. The feasibility of this design was not to be tested, however, for at this moment Mrs. Davis, seeing only his danger, and animated by a characteristic and heroic determination to share it, ran forward and threw her arms around his neck, with some impassioned exclamation, which probably none of the parties present would be able to repeat correctly. The only hope of escape had depended upon bringing the matter to an immediate issue, and seeing that this was now lost, the President simply said: "God's will be done," and quietly turned back and seated himself upon a fallen tree near which a camp-fire was burning.

A letter, written by Colonel William F. Preston, late side to Mr. Davis, to the writer of the article, Major W. T. Walthall, confirms this statement. Major W. T. Walthall, Mobile, Ala.—My Dear Sir:—Your letter has just come to hand, and I reply at once. Wilson's monograph is written with a very strong animus, not to say virulence. It bears upon its face all the marks of special pleading. He states as matters of fact numberless circumstances which could not be of his own knowledge, or mere gossip. Single errors of this sort are blemishes; but when they are grouped and used as fact and argument, they become something historical. It bears upon its face all the marks of special pleading. He states as matters of fact numberless circumstances which could not be of his own knowledge, or mere gossip. Single errors of this sort are blemishes; but when they are grouped and used as fact and argument, they become something historical. It bears upon its face all the marks of special pleading. 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